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► Students at P.S. 259 in Bay Ridge stand in front of a 9/11 mural they created. Metro asked the students to tell us what happened on Sept. 1, 2001, in their own words.

# How we're teaching 9/11

► Brooklyn public school teacher devotes entire year to learning about 9/11 after one student told him it was an accident ► Late-night deal reached that will restart construction on 9/11 memorial museum {pages 2-9}

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## In the news

**Don't tamper with Gucci's computers**

A man was sentenced yesterday to up to six years in state prison for tampering with Gucci's computer network. Prosecutors said yesterday that Jersey City, N.J., resident Sam Chihlung Yin, 35, was fired by Gucci as a network engineer and then used an account he secretly created to mess with the company's system. He shut down servers and networks and deleted valuable data.

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## In the news

**Babs back in Brooklyn**

There are eighteen days until the Barclays Center opens in Brooklyn, and Barbra Streisand fans will be able to see her there: She performs at the arena starting a month from today. Babs will play two separate shows, on Oct. 11 and Oct. 13. Streisand grew up in Flatbush, and this will be her first public performance in the borough. ● METRO

# Construction worker killed in BK collapse

- ▶ Two workers plunged 40 feet when Ft. Greene building collapses
- ▶ Third worker recalls horror of digging out injured man with hands

The Department of Buildings is investigating the cause of a tragic roof collapse in Fort Greene that claimed the life of a construction worker yesterday morning.

According to the FDNY, the accident happened at 227 Carlton Avenue at around 9:13 a.m., at the site of the under-construction Carlton Mew Townhouses, a cluster of five four-story, two-family townhouses.

After a delivery of heavy materials, including concrete blocks, the roof of the building collapsed, according to a spokesman for the Department of Buildings. Five workers were on the roof at the time. Two of them fell to the building's basement when it collapsed.

A 67-year-old man was transported to Brooklyn Hospital, where he was pronounced dead, according to the NYPD. Another construction worker was rushed to the hospital where he remains in critical condition, according to the DOB.

Dan Regis, 48, has been working at the site for about five months and was on the roof when it collapsed. The area he was standing on remained intact, but he saw the accident unfold.



**"Winston was in really bad shape, all the bricks and cement came down on him."**

**CONSTRUCTION WORKER DAN REGIS, WHO WAS WORKING AT THE BUILDING SITE WHEN IT COLLAPSED**

"I was at the back of the roof, I saw the whole thing," a clearly shaken Regis told Metro. "They were unloading cement blocks from a lift onto the roof. They were unloading the last of the bags when the roof caved in. I went down to dig them out ... with my bare hands."

"They couldn't scream, they were so badly hurt," he added.

Regis said one of his fellow workers he knew only as Winston was badly injured in the accident. He didn't know whether Winston survived.



▶ Rescue workers and those with the Department of Buildings speak in front of 227 Carlton Avenue, the site of the roof collapse. The damaged roof can be seen through the building's windows.

## No violations on file for site

The Department of Buildings did not have any open violations or complaints on file for 227 Carlton Avenue.

However, Fort Greene Coun-

cilwoman Letitia James cited the tragedy in calling for stricter regulations of construction projects yesterday.

The DOB has engineers investigating at the site to determine the cause of the collapse.

A full stop-work order has been issued to all five buildings

at the site.

"They believe beams were not properly supported and once heavy materials were delivered, they gave way," DOB spokesman Tony Sclafani told Metro. "They are investigating how those beams were constructed."

"Winston was in really bad shape, all the bricks and cement came down on him," Regis said.

When asked what may have

caused the accident, Regis replied, "Nobody can say anything, everyone is calling it an accident. In my experience, the roof was overloaded."

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*Miles Dixon contributed reporting.*

## Schedule for 9/11 ceremony

Today marks the eleventh anniversary of the September 11 terrorist attacks that claimed almost 3,000 American lives.

Relatives of victims of the 2001 and 1993 World Trade Center attacks have been invited to attend a commemoration ceremony at the National September 11 Memorial plaza at the World Trade Center site in lower Manhattan, beginning at 8:39 a.m.

The program will begin with music by bagpipers and drummers and the National Anthem performed by the Young People's Chorus of New York City.

At 8:46 a.m., the first moment of silence will be held to mark American Airlines Flight 11 striking the North Tower.

Moments of silence will continue throughout the morning in observance of the second plane hitting the South Tower,

and for the plane that struck the Pentagon, the flight that went down in Pennsylvania, as well as when each tower fell.

Once again this year, each victim's name will be read aloud. This is the first anniversary, however, where politicians will not be speaking during the program.

The ceremony is expected to conclude at 12:30 p.m.

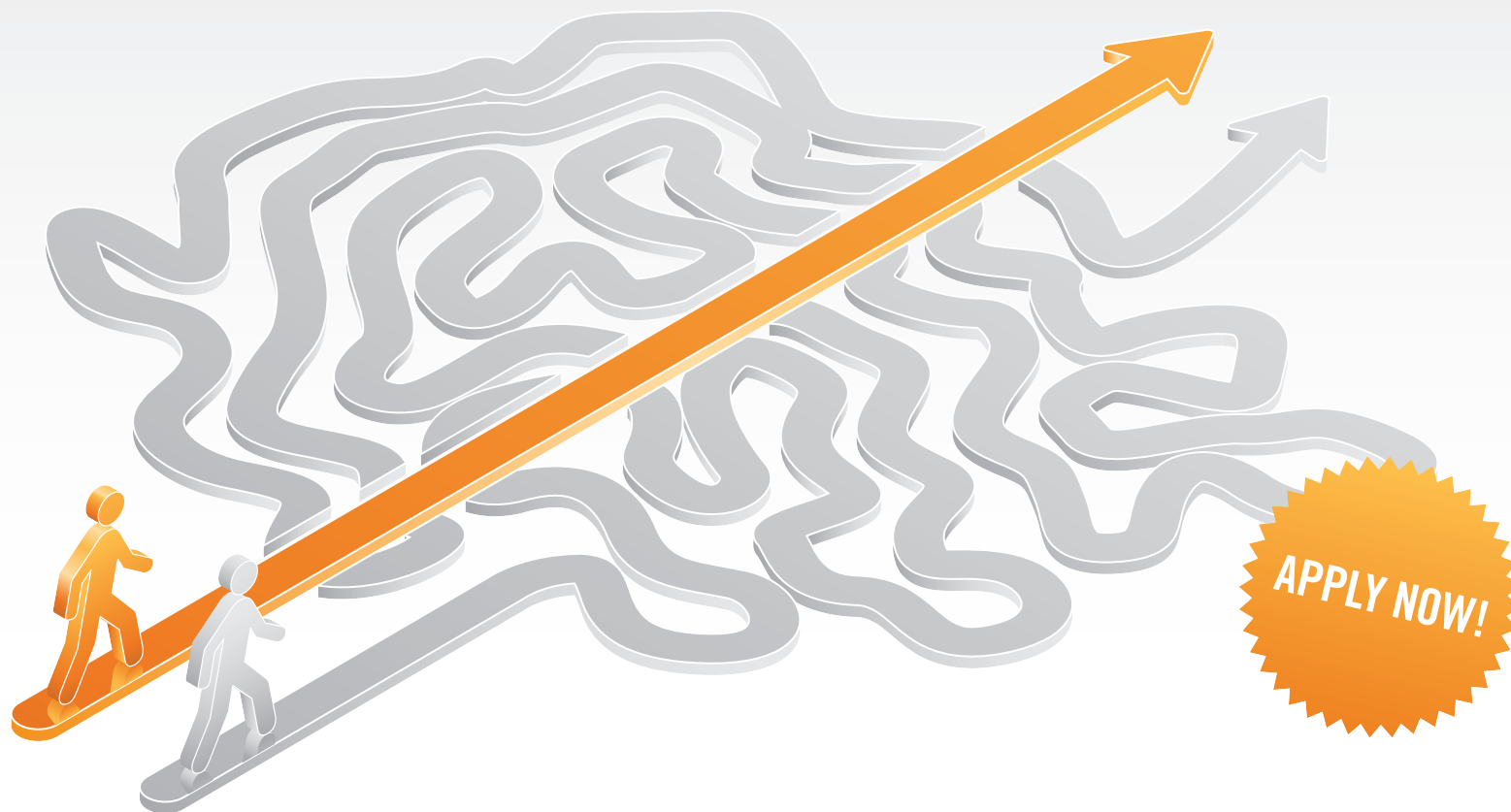
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### The schedule

- ▶ **8:39 a.m.** Program begins
- ▶ **8:46 a.m.** Moment of silence in observance of the time American Airlines Flight 11 struck North Tower. Houses of worship will toll their bells throughout the city and family members will begin reading the names in pairs.
- ▶ **9:03 a.m.** Moment of silence to observe when United Airlines Flight 175 struck the South Tower

- ▶ **9:37 a.m.** Moment of silence to observe when American Airlines Flight 77 struck the Pentagon
- ▶ **9:59 a.m.** Moment of silence to observe when the South Tower fell
- ▶ **10:03 a.m.** Moment of silence to observe when United Airlines Flight 93 crashed near Shanksville, Pennsylvania
- ▶ **10:28 a.m.** Moment of silence in observance of the fall of the North Tower
- ▶ **12:30 p.m.** Program ends

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## 9/11 memorial cost \$60M a year to run

**NEW YORK.** Since the National Sept. 11 Memorial opened one year ago last September, an estimated 4.5 million visitors have toured the site.

But it's hardly cheap to operate one of the nation's most important memorials.

### Memorial costs

▶ **Gettysburg** cost \$8.4 million this year to operate and maintain.

▶ **USS Arizona Memorial** at Pearl Harbor costs \$3.6 million per year.

▶ **Arlington National Cemetery** costs \$45 million annually.

Source: AP/National Park Service

The foundation that operates the memorial estimates that once the museum opens, the site will cost up to \$60 million a year to operate, according to an AP report out yesterday.

That price tag is much higher than other memorial sites, but officials at the 9/11 memorial say they face unique challenges. For example, at least one fifth of their budget is spent on security.

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# Last-minute deal reached to restart museum building

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**"They are sick and dying and their marriages are breaking up. Why are we pouring all this money into buildings when men don't have enough insurance to buy breathing apparatus?"**

**LESLIE HASKINS, WHO LOST HER HUSBAND ON 9/11, SAID SHE HAS GROWN DISILLUSIONED BY THE POLITICS OF THE RECONSTRUCTION, AND WANTS TO SEE MORE ATTENTION PAID TO THE AILING 9/11 WORKERS.**

Eleven years after the September 11, 2001 attacks, New Yorkers will mark the anniversary today as a feud over financing appears to have been smoothed over — at least temporarily.

As part of an eleventh-hour deal reached last night, construction will resume again on the stalled 9/11 museum.

The National September 11 Memorial and Museum foundation and the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey reached a compromise last night to resolve a long-standing funding feud.

There were early disputes over financial, design and security issues, but a major sticking point was the museum at the heart of the World Trade Center site redevelopment. Construction had been suspended because of a feud over finances between the two entities.

The deal was brokered by New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo, Mayor Michael Bloomberg and New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie.

"Everyone agrees we want to build the museum," Cuomo said, according to the Daily News. "It's important. It will be important for generations to come. We want it done. We also have to do it in a way that is financially feasible."

While construction will begin anew, there is still no scheduled or anticipated opening date for the museum.

When the foundation an-

nounced recently that for the first time, politicians would be excluded from having speaking roles in today's September 11 anniversary ceremonies, it was seen by many victims' families and others in the 9/11 community as a public reflection of these behind-the-scenes disputes.

Overall site redevelopment costs have grown to nearly \$15 billion, up from \$11 billion in 2008, according to a recent project audit.

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# Feds to cover 50 9/11-related cancers

► On eve of 9/11, gov't announces 9/11 cancer care ► Decision comes after years of debate ► Responders say cancer stems from GZ's toxic dust

Finally, 9/11 responders with cancer may be able to breathe a small sigh of relief.

After years of sick responders pleading to have their illnesses covered, the National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health announced yesterday afternoon that about 50 cancers will be covered under the World Trade Center's health program.

"The publication of this final rule marks an important step in the effort to provide needed treatment and care to 9/11 responders and survivors through the WTC Health Program," NIOSH director Dr. John Howard said in a statement.

In June, Howard ruled that the cancers should be added to the list of illnesses that are covered by the Zadroga Act, a \$4.3 billion fund that compensates people who are ill from Ground Zero toxic dust.

## Quoted

**"2,751 lives were lost that day ... That's sad, but they didn't suffer long. These first responders have been slowly dying for 11 years."**

9/11 RESPONDER JOHN FEAL

The act is named for James Zadroga, who died of 9/11-related illnesses.

Cancers that will be covered include lung, colon, tracheal and esophageal cancers.

The coverage will include both rescue workers and residents or people who were in the area and may have been affected.

About 1,000 people have died from 9/11-related illnesses, Reuters estimated. The Patrolmen's Benevolent Association reported earlier this year that 65 officers have died of cancer since 9/11, and that another 297 were diagnosed.

In the past seven weeks,

three New York City cops, two firefighters and a construction union worker who toiled at Ground Zero died of cancer or respiratory illnesses, according to John Feal of the FealGood Foundation, which helps responders.

"We're burying guys left and right," said Nancy Carbone, executive director of Friends of Firefighters, a Brooklyn-based nonprofit that helps treat first responders. "This is an ongoing epidemic."

Some opponents had questioned whether enough research connected the cancers to toxins at Ground Zero.

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**1K** Some estimate the overall 9/11-related illness death toll at more than 1,000.

**20K** At least 20,000 Ground Zero workers are being treated nationwide.

**40K** About 40,000 are being monitored by the WTC Health Program.



► Jennifer McNamara is the widow of 9/11 firefighter John McNamara, who spent 500 hours at Ground Zero and died in 2009 of cancer. He was 44 years old.

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## 9/11 Museum

The National September 11 Memorial & Museum gave a preview yesterday at the Downtown Marriott of what its first exhibit will look like when the museum opens.

The exhibit, to be called "In Memoriam," will feature

comprehensive profiles of all 2,983 victims of the Sept. 11 attacks and the 1993 World Trade Center bombing.

The museum's exhibitions will be housed below the memorial structure itself, at the bedrock level of the World

Trade Center site.

Visitors will enter the museum at the glass and steel pavilion between the two memorial pools. The Museum's director, Alice Greenwald, describes the physical space of the museum as a square with-

### News in pictures



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- 1: Handwritten messages sent from loved ones to the victims of the terror attacks can be seen.
- 2: Mary Fetchet, director of Voices of September 11th, speaks to the media at the preview yesterday.
- 3: An American flag with names of the victims of 9/11 and the 1993 bombing at the World Trade Center
- 4: A display of 9/11 letter art
- 5: Guests sample the 9/11 Living Memorial digital archive.



# gives preview of what's in store

in a square, "echoing the geometry of the pools above."

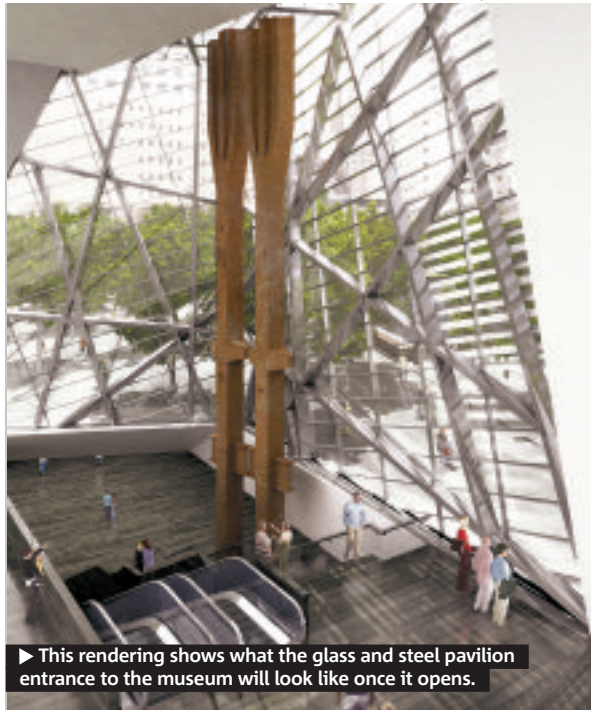
The walls of the outer square will be covered floor-to-ceiling with portraits of the victims, and at interactive tables in the main area, visitors will be able to select and learn more about individual profiles. These profiles are comprised of photos, written, audio or video-recorded memories, news clippings, eulogies, and photos of personal memorabilia.

## 2,983

The exhibit, to be called "In Memoriam," will feature comprehensive profiles of all 2,983 victims of the Sept. 11, 2001, attacks and the 1993 World Trade Center bombing.



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9/11 MEMORIAL MUSEUM

► This rendering shows what the glass and steel pavilion entrance to the museum will look like once it opens.

## No projected date for 9/11 museum's grand opening

There's little doubt the "In Memoriam" exhibit will be a moving experience, but there's just one question: When will the museum open?

Museum officials have no projected date of opening, even though a long-standing fundraising debate was resolved last night, and stalled museum construction will begin again.

9/11 Memorial President Joe Daniels said that construction of the museum is currently 80 percent complete, and the foundation has raised all the money they need to finish the job. They have raised more than \$450 million from donations



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► Victim profiles will be on display at the museum.

spanning all 50 states.

According to Michael Frazier, head of communications for the National September 11 Memorial & Museum, the total cost of the memorial and the museum combined is \$700 million.

The projected annual cost of maintaining the museum — excluding other memorial costs — is \$60 million per year, Frazier said.

So far, the museum has

received 1,297 artifact donations. That includes six Stanley Cup rings from the wife of Boston Bruin Garnet "Ace" Bailey, who was a passenger on United Airlines Flight 175.

The watch of Flight 93 passenger Todd Beemer will also be on display at the museum. That watch was recovered in the wreckage of the plane near Shanksville, Pennsylvania. Its calendar window was still displaying the number 11.

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# Helping them remember



► Kids talk outside the 9/11 mural they painted at P.S. 259 in Bay Ridge, Brooklyn.

► Brooklyn teacher helps students for 9/11 ► Some knew nothing about just another news story ► Students school year creating mural of

Last spring, Tom Buxton was horrified when a sixth-grade student told him she thought 9/11 was an accident.

"An accident. That was it," recalled Buxton, an English teacher at P.S. 259 in Bay Ridge.

The student's inaccurate statement prompted him to devote an entire year of his English class to teaching students about 9/11.

Along with the National September 11 Memorial & Museum, the city Department of Education created a curriculum for teachers to teach 9/11, which can be used in K-12 social studies, history or English classes.

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**"It was important for the kids to know that the pain, even 10 years later, was just below the surface."**

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But Buxton felt the pre-planned curriculum lacked a human element. He invited guest lecturers, like a man who lost a relative in the towers and a person who carried another in a wheelchair down 62 floors, to speak to his seventh-grade class.

"For two hours, you didn't hear a chair move," he said.

With the help of art teacher Roma Karas, students transformed a hallway at the school into a 9/11 memorial, complete with steel and even glass salvaged from the towers. As part of the mural, students included a fireman in the pose of Michaelangelo's statue of David.

Many of his students, toddlers when the tragedy struck, are just now reaching the age where they are able to comprehend bits and pieces of the terrorist attack. And Buxton said he felt the need for understanding was dire.

Before last year's project, some students said their parents told them that 9/11 was a tragedy, but didn't elaborate.

Or, in some cases, their parents told them nothing at all.

"When I used to hear it, I just thought nothing," Kelly Perez, 12, told Metro. "I just thought it was another story on the news."

Now, she said, she draws hope from the anniversary. "In the end, our entire country united."



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### In their words

#### Can you explain what happened on 9/11 in your own words?

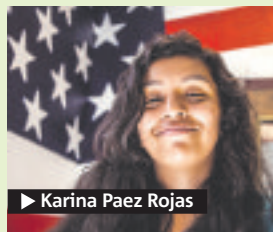
*"Two planes hit the World Trade Center with the purpose to destroy our lives and everything. During that time, thousands of firefighters across New York City and even nearby states, New Jersey and Pennsylvania, all types of people went into the World Trade Center and tried to evacuate as many people as possible ... On that day many people witnessed horrible things."* **KARINA PAEZ ROJAS, 13, BENSONHURST**

*"All the police and firefighters came in a hurry to the Twin Towers. Some of them died in the Battery Tunnel. Most of them sacrificed their life to save people in the Twin Towers and they even had to leave somebody behind."* **ANNE FENG, 14, FORT HAMILTON**

*"The firefighters and the policemen had to either stay home with their loved ones and everyone that cares about them or go help people that they've never met and save their lives. And they chose to save people that they don't know's lives and they became heroes to everyone. They risked their own lives to save other people. When they ran into the building, they didn't run out to save their own lives."* **MIRIAM JUAREZ, 13, BAY RIDGE**

#### What did you know about 9/11 before Mr. Buxton's class?

*"My parents never told me basi-*



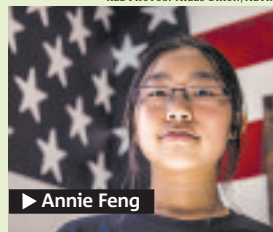
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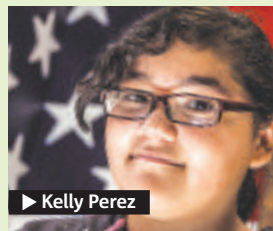
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*cally anything about it, so when I heard it I knew something happened, I just didn't know specifically what."* **KARINA PAEZ ROJAS**

*"All I knew is that it was a day of tragic events. That's all my mother told me. When I hear it now on the news, I have a bad feeling. When I used to hear it, I just thought nothing. I just thought it was another story on the news."* **KELLY PEREZ, 12, BAY RIDGE**

*"I thought it was like a movie, two planes crashed into a tower. My mom told me it was a big deal."* **ANNE FENG**

#### What does 9/11 mean to you?

*"Now it means more to me because I know more about it. I learned more about it."* **JOCELYN BENITEZ, 12, SUNSET PARK**

*"It is a bad day, but in the end our entire country united."* **KELLY PEREZ**

*"I feel actually sad in a way because all the people that passed away, but glad that they did it because they got to save people and they get recognized for what they did."* **DANA STEWART, 13, BAY RIDGE**

### Advice

## How to talk to kids about 9/11

Dr. Mary Pulido, director of the New York Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, said the disaster should be approached delicately.

"The little ones, kindergarteners down, they shouldn't even know what 9/11 is at this point," she said. "Eleven or 12-year-olds, they were born or one or two years, so I doubt

they'll have vivid memories of it at that age."

Children may come home from school today wondering about Sept. 11, or perhaps have a friend with a personal connection, she said.

"Let them bring it up," she advises. Say something like, "Why do you think we're remembering the anniversary?" or "What did you hear in school about Sept. 11?"

For children, she said, "The bottom line is, they want to know they're safe," wondering if

## "Let them bring it up. Say something like, 'What did you hear in school about Sept. 11?'"

**DR. MARY PULIDO**

a terror attack will happen again or whether their parents are safe going into work.

She suggests saying something like, "There were people who did not like the United States. They wanted to do us

harm, they wanted to scare us and hurt us, so they flew a plane into the building to scare everyone in New York City and the United States. Many people died that day. It was a very sad day for all of us."

Then, she said, transition to how many people are looking out for the child. "Everyone from the president of the United States all the way down to the local fire department and police and your mom and dad are working to keep you safe."

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## In the news

**Gaddafi-era officials go on trial, accused over Lockerbie**

**TRIPOLI.** Two senior officials under late Libyan leader Muammar Gaddafi went on trial, accused of wasting public money by facilitating a compensation payment of more than

\$2 billion to families of those killed in the Lockerbie bombing.

The trial of the two men — former Foreign Minister Abdel-Ati al-Obeidi and former Secretary General of the General People's Congress Mohammed Zwai — was swiftly adjourned to give their legal team more time to prepare.

Zwai was overthrown and killed after an uprising last year. **REUTERS**

**GM's Volt: The ugly math of low sales, high costs**

General Motors sold a record number of Chevrolet Volt sedans in August, but that probably isn't a good thing for the company's bottom line.

Nearly two years after the introduction of the path-breaking plug-in hybrid, GM is still losing as much as \$49,000 on each Volt it builds, according to estimates provided to Reuters by industry analysts and manufacturing

experts. GM yesterday issued a statement disputing the estimates.

Cheap Volt lease offers meant to drive more customers to Chevy showrooms this summer may have pushed that loss even higher. Some Americans are paying just \$5,050 to drive around for two years in a vehicle that cost as much as \$89,000 to produce. **REUTERS**

**Thousands of teachers strike in Chicago, parents scramble**

SCOTT OLSON/GETTY IMAGES



► The Chicago confrontation also threatens to sour relations between Obama's Democratic Party and labor unions before the presidential election on Nov. 6.

Thousands of public school teachers formed picket lines in Chicago yesterday and parents scrambled for child care during their first strike in a quarter-century over reforms sought by Mayor Rahm Emanuel and endorsed by President Barack Obama's administration.

Some 29,000 teachers and support staff in the nation's third-largest school system were involved, leaving parents

of 350,000 students between kindergarten and high school age to find alternative supervision.

"There's no excuse for either side for not coming to an agreement," said Faith Griggs-York, mother of a first-grader at Agassiz Elementary School, as she dropped her daughter off at a community center a mile from the school.

"Both sides, because of what they are doing to parents and because of what they are doing to kids, should be embarrassed," Griggs-York said.

Churches, community centers, some schools and other public facilities were ready yesterday to care for thousands of children under a \$25 million strike contingency plan financed by the school district. The children will be supervised for half a day and receive breakfast and lunch, allowing some parents to work. **REUTERS**

**"Both sides need to get back to the table as quickly as possible and really stay there and negotiate through the night if necessary."**

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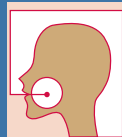
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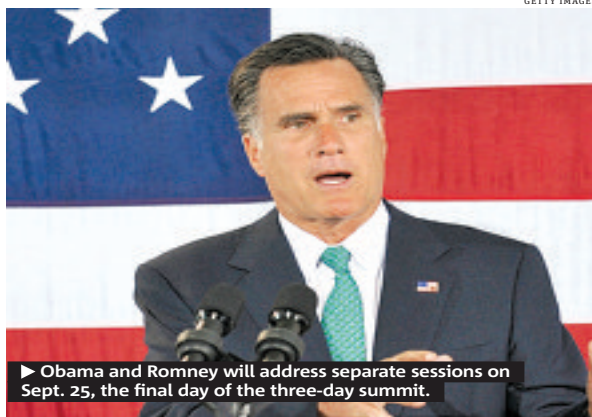
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# Setting aside the rhetoric, Obama, Romney to appear at Clinton's charity summit



► The invitations to President Obama and Governor Romney for the 2012 annual meeting were extended earlier this summer.



► Obama and Romney will address separate sessions on Sept. 25, the final day of the three-day summit.

President Barack Obama and Republican rival Mitt Romney are expected to set aside their political differences later this month to speak at Bill Clinton's eighth annual philanthropic summit.

Obama and Romney were invited earlier this summer to attend the Clinton Global Initiative (CGI), a summit official said, well before Clinton's Democratic National Convention speech last week where he gave a rousing endorsement of Obama and a detailed attack on the Republican presidential candidate.

Obama and Romney will address separate sessions on Sept. 25, the final day of the three-day summit in New York City that brings together heads of state, business leaders, humanitarians and celebrities to make commitments to tackle the world's woes.

It was not known what topics they planned to speak about.

"CGI is built on the spirit of non-partisan, cross-sector collaborations that drive action and I'm proud that, since we began in 2005, CGI members have made more than 2,100

**"I'm grateful that President Obama and Governor Romney are taking time to join leaders from all parts of society who choose to address our greatest global challenges through the Clinton Global Initiative."**

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commitments that are already improving the lives of 400 million people all over the world," Clinton said.

Clinton, who this week is due to campaign for Obama in the critical swing states of Florida and Ohio, gave point-by-point criticism of Romney and his vice presidential running mate, congressman Paul Ryan, during a prime-time address to the Democratic convention in Charlotte, N.C.

Clinton said Obama should not be blamed for the poor economy he inherited in 2009.

REUTERS

## News in brief



### With \$114M raised, Obama barely edges Romney in August

WASHINGTON. President Barack Obama's campaign and Democratic allies raised more than \$114 million in August, narrowly beating Republican rival Mitt Romney for the first time in months as the race for the White House approaches its final stretch.

Romney and fellow Republicans said yesterday they raised more than \$111 million in August, continuing a string of high-dollar hauls that leave him well-equipped to contest the Nov. 6 election.

While Obama shattered fundraising records in 2008 after becoming the first pres-

idential candidate to opt out of a federal matching funds system, Romney has outpaced him significantly on the fundraising front.

That has added to a cash advantage on the Republican side offered by the success of outside "Super PAC" groups that have spent lavishly in support of the Republican candidate with unlimited funds from millionaire donors. **REUTERS**

### Anti-GOP remarks attributed to FAA managers spark election probe

WASHINGTON. Officials have launched an investigation into remarks by senior Federal Aviation Administration managers who allegedly told subordinates that Republican victories in November's election could lead to budget cuts and furloughs for FAA employees, a source with knowledge of the probe said yesterday.

Cause of Action called last week for an investigation of the remarks, saying they could violate the federal Hatch Act, which prevents executive branch civil servants from engaging in partisan political activity.

Cause of Action is a government accountability group led by Dan Epstein, a former congressional aide who has led investigations involving the community advocacy group ACORN, the National Labor Relations Board and labor union SEIU. **REUTERS**

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President Obama raised \$3 million more than his rival Mitt Romney in August.

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# DELIVERING SOME TRUTH ON DEBT MESS

The Republicans are hoping you've forgotten last summer's debt ceiling crisis — the fight over raising the country's credit limit that cost the U.S. its AAA rating and increased its yearly borrowing costs by \$1.3 billion. Last week, Mitt Romney blamed President Obama for the \$55 billion in defense cuts scheduled to begin in January. But the Democrats are not responsible for this looming cut to defense spending, and the Republicans know it.

Last summer, Republicans refused to raise the debt ceiling unless every dollar was matched by a dollar of debt reduction. But Republicans refused to allow any of that debt reduction to come from raising taxes — only spending cuts. Faced with the threat of default and the global economic meltdown that would likely result, the Democrats reluctantly agreed.

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**"12 lucky members of Congress ... would be solely responsible for choosing what to cut, thereby taking all the heat and shielding the rest of Congress from the ensuing political firestorm."**

Congress who would be solely responsible for choosing what to cut, thereby taking all the heat and shielding the rest of Congress from the ensuing political firestorm. To give the Super Committee cover to do their dirty work, Congress came up with an ultimatum, sort of a fiscal Mutually Assured Destruction. The Super Committee had to make those hard cuts because if they didn't, \$1.2 trillion in cuts would be triggered automatically — half from defense and half from non-defense programs, including Medicare. The idea was that these automatic cuts would be so catastrophic that the Super Committee members would choose to fall on their own scissors rather than allow them to be triggered.

Of course, the Super Committee failed, and those automatic cuts loom ever closer. But given the absurd history of how these cuts were enacted, Romney's implication that the president favors them is transparently deceptive.

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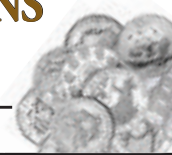
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## A sneaky wedding for Reynolds and Lively

### Stefani talks marriage

**Gwen Stefani** is celebrating 10 years of marriage with husband **Gavin Rosdale** this week, calling the milestone a "miracle."

"My biggest accomplishment is my marriage so far. Because it's hard, everyone knows it's hard," she says in the new issue of *Marie Claire*. "We're learning about each other all the time. He balances me out. And he never stops liking me, which is awesome! It makes me feel happy, that someone likes me as much as he does."

But did he bleach his hair out and wear bindis for you? Did he follow you through that awkward hip-hop phase in ill-advised high-tops? We didn't think so, Gwen. We didn't think so.



### The feed ...

▶ Checking in with some of Hollywood's biggest names to see what they've been up to — in their own words, in 140 characters or fewer.

#### @JohnStamos

Willy Wonka: Charlie, don't forget what happened to the man who suddenly got everything he always wanted. He lived happily ever after.

#### @ConanOBrien

The gift bags from the MTV Video Music Awards included condoms and Hot Pockets. Let's hope nobody confused the two.

#### @azizansari

Dude on my flight is watching *Men in Black 3*, watching with no sound & pretending it's a Hitch sequel bout Hitch trying hookup an alien.

#### @JuddApatow

Getting up early is the worst. I can't tell if I am losing energy as I get older or interest. Maybe I used to be tired but didn't care.



Usually, people as famous as **Ryan Reynolds** and **Blake Lively** can't go grocery shopping without us snooping around their carts. But somehow, the impossibly pretty couple planned and executed an entire wedding over the weekend without us so much as getting a whiff of cake. (Our guess: They killed off the rare caterer who wasn't hypnotized by their sparkling eyes.)

On Sunday, Reynolds, 35, and Lively, 25, tied the knot just outside of Charleston, S.C. A number of details have finally trickled in — the Reynolds trance doesn't last forever — and it seems they had the kind of understated wedding that really works best when you're



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▶ We can't wait to see the beautiful babies these two will create.

totally fine," she tells *The Associated Press*.

### Talking points

#### Pattinsongate 2012: Your daily update

**Kristen Stewart** knows that pretty soon she'll be side-by-side with estranged boyfriend **Robert Pattinson** to promote the final "Twilight" film, and she swears she isn't stressing out about it. "We're going to be fine. We're going to be

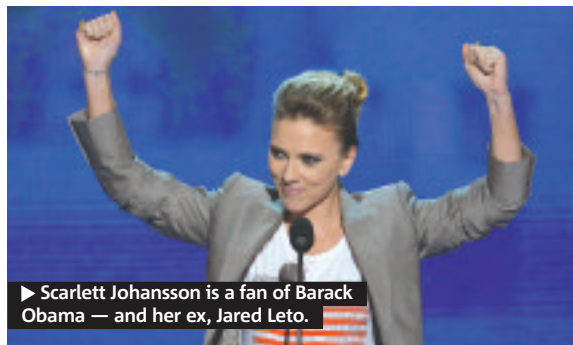
#### Maybe she got wind of her ex's wedding

**Scarlett Johansson** turned heads at the Democratic National Convention when she held hands and acted affectionate with former flame **Jared Leto**, but her rep insists there's nothing fishy going on. "Scarlett is still dating **Nate [Naylor]**," he rep says, according to *Us Weekly*.

"This is very innocent. Scarlett and Jared have remained friends, nothing more, nothing less. Let's concentrate on the DNC and her speech, which is exponentially more important." Johansson addressed the convention earlier in the evening, preceding the speech by **President Barack Obama**.

#### Man arrested outside Cyrus' home

An unidentified man wielding a pair of scissors reportedly tried to force his way in **Miley Cyrus'** Los Angeles-area home late at night over the weekend, according to *The Associated Press*. Luckily, Cyrus wasn't home at the time the man attempted entry, claiming to be a friend of the singer and actress. Employees inside the man called police, and they arrested the man after spotting him jumping behind bushes on the property.



▶ Scarlett Johansson is a fan of Barack Obama — and her ex, Jared Leto.

### Walken on the wild side

In his new film, "Seven Psychopaths," **Christopher Walken** plays a dognapper. And while the actor was fond of the film's starring shih tzu, he admits that working with animals isn't always easy.

"That dog was a good film dog," Walken tells *Metro*. "Cats are hard. And when I did 'Batman Returns,' we worked with hundreds of penguins. Penguins are difficult. They just don't do what they're told."

Christopher Walken, trying to reason with a penguin: Don't say this page never gave you anything.



Walken and co-star



# How to cause controversy before your first episode

► 'The New Normal' is a goofy, biting, sweet sitcom that questions what 'family' means today ► Creator Ryan Murphy addresses critics of his new show

## Call "unconventional" families "normal" 🔥🔥🔥

Murphy credits shows like "Modern Family" and "Will & Grace," which both featured gay characters in committed relationships, for paving the way for his show to reach the air. "Those shows changed views," he says.

And while "The New Normal" is loosely based on Murphy's own life — "the show came about because my partner and I have been having conversations about surrogacy," he says — the sitcom also delves into every character re-examining his or her life and asking, "What's next?"

## Controversy meter

Cause a boycott 🔥🔥🔥  
Trend on Twitter 🔥🔥🔥  
Gossip item 🔥🔥🔥

"We talked about what it was like to be a single mother with a young daughter; what is it like to be [an older] woman who is completely starting over and dating again," Murphy says of Goldie and Jane.

## Feature a close-minded grandma with no filter 🔥🔥🔥

Nana Jane is a throwback to Archie Bunker — she says

shocking, politically incorrect things and isn't bothered if she offends someone.

"['The New Normal'] in many ways is about tolerance," Murphy says. "When I was growing up, one of the most memorable times that I would have with my parents was watching 'All in the Family' and hearing people talk that way and then having a discussion: 'Was that good? Was that bad? What was that?' People will talk about things that [our] characters say, obviously, but I think that's a good thing."

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## The plot

► Single mom Goldie (Georgia King) moves to L.A. with her 8-year-old daughter (Bebe Wood) for a better life. There, Goldie becomes the surrogate for a gay couple, Bryan (Andrew Rannells) and David (Justin Bartha), who

want to have a baby. Ellen Barkin stars as Goldie's prejudiced grandmother, Jane, and NeNe Leakes plays Bryan's assistant, Rocky. The conservative group One Million Moms announced a boycott of the show before the season premiered.



► From left: Georgia King, NeNe Leakes, Andrew Rannells, Justin Bartha, Bebe Wood and Ellen Barkin star in "The New Normal," premiering tonight at 9:30 on NBC.

TIMOTHY WHITE/NBC

## TV watch list

### 'Sons of Anarchy'

**DRAMA.** The rise of Jax to president of SAMCRO over stepdad Clay has been brutally personal and devastatingly bloody. Even more so is the fallout after club member Tig murdered the daughter of gangster Damon Pope (guest star Harold Perrineau). Good luck sleeping soundly after tonight's premiere. **Season premiere, 10 p.m., FX**

### 'Go On'

**COMEDY.** The Matthew Perry-led grief-therapy comedy receives its official premiere post-Olympics, with the former "Friends" star's sportscaster, Ryan, serving as wingman for his new group buddy Steven (John Cho). **Series premiere, 9 p.m., NBC**

### 'Parenthood'

**DRAMA.** The Bravermans gather for a family portrait before Haddie heads to college. **Season premiere, 10 p.m., NBC** ● **AMBER RAY**

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## Sad songs say so much

► Paloma Faith talks about her 'Fall to Grace,' realistic, sad lyrics and that other British soulstress who also happens to sing so well about heartbreak

With tabloids touting headlines like "Pregnant Adele's joy," you might find yourself thinking: "That's great that she's happy, but where am I gonna get my fix of sad songs sung by soulful British women?"

The answer to your check-out line musing is Paloma Faith's new album, "Fall to Grace."

With lyrics like "This is agony, but it's still a thrill for me" paired with classic soul song structures and shameless pop production, "Grace" is your new heartache soundtrack.

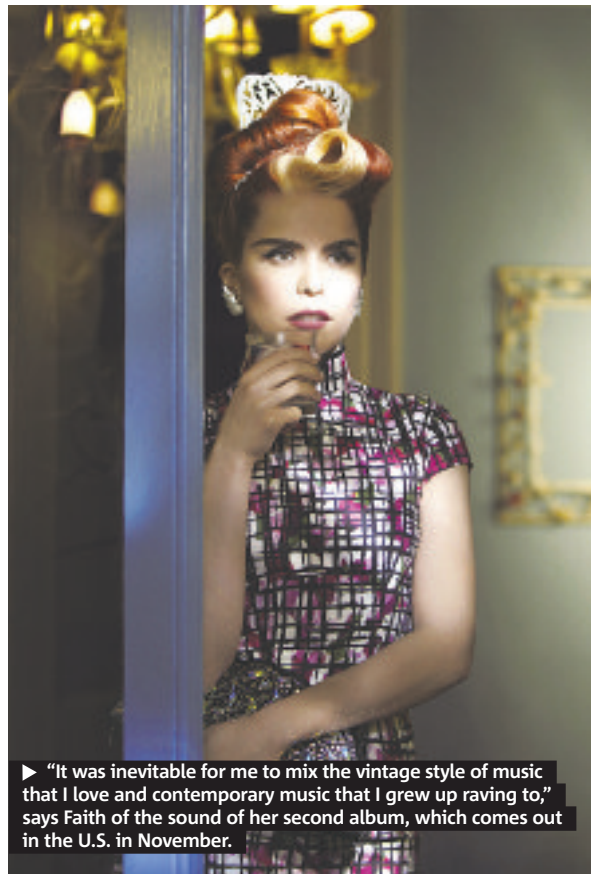
Faith, a tabloid fixture in her own right in the U.K., does not mind the Adele comparisons: "If I could have a tenth of the success that she's had in the U.S., then I'd be smiling forever into my grave."

Smiling into the grave is what "Grace" is all about. Songs are hooky and polished, but a broken heart beats beneath.

"There were songs on the record that were produced to sound super hopeful, but when you listen to the lyrics they're sad," she says. "I wouldn't say it's a tragic record. I would say it's a realistic record."



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► "It was inevitable for me to mix the vintage style of music that I love and contemporary music that I grew up raving to," says Faith of the sound of her second album, which comes out in the U.S. in November.

REBECCA PIERCE

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### Lianne La Havas also joins the British invasion

Another great British woman of soul to recently hit U.S. shores is Lianne La Havas. The 23-year-old singer-songwriter's debut is all about jazz-soul production and focuses on her haunting vocals. Her style is remarkably original and uplifting.

"My single, 'Is Your Love Big Enough?' is not about any of my boyfriends," she says, bucking the scorned woman trend. "It's written about a great time I had when I was in New York."

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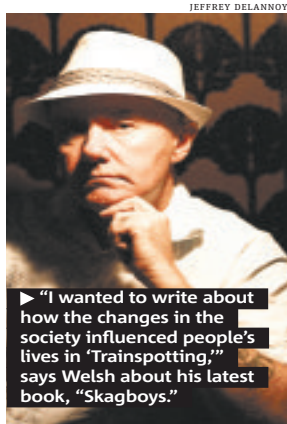
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## Keeping track of the 'Trainspotting' boys

- Twenty years after introducing the world to Sick Boy and friends, Irvine Welsh has returned with a prequel
- 'Skagboys' examines how society affects addiction



JEFFREY DELANNOY

Describing himself as "pretty itinerant," Irvine Welsh rattles off the list of cities that he's called, to some degree, home: Edinburgh, Amsterdam, London, Manchester, Dublin, San Francisco. The Scottish author has settled down a bit in recent years, which gave him the opportunity to unpack a few old boxes, one of which contained 100,000 words he'd cut from "Trainspotting."

The result is "Skagboys," the new prequel that depicts the lives of Renton, Sick Boy, Spud and Begbie before and during their slide into the heroin addiction and other bad behavior memorialized in

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The new book was written with nearly three decades' perspective. "In some ways it's really good because you've got this distance and wisdom about it all," Welsh says. "On the other hand, it's not right in your face. This is kind of a hybrid of the two because a lot of the



stuff was actually written at that time, so I had the advantage of being right in the heart of it all and then getting to take a 20-year break and look back at it."

Thatcherism and other elements of British political culture in the early '80s play a role in the characters' addictions. "I wanted to write about how the changes in the society influenced people's lives in 'Trainspotting,' but it seemed to be a bit rambling," Welsh recalls. "I don't think I had the experience and the writing chops to do that at the time."

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## The reviews

**1 Tommy Hilfiger:** Tommy Hilfiger transported showgoers at the Highline back to the Hamptons for one last seaside soiree — a Fourth of July-type celebration. With hurricane lanterns hanging over a deck-like runway, models sailed by in bold red, white and blue striped looks. Some read cool (the double-breasted blazers and chunky cardigans) and others too patriotic (a preppy navy jacket over a red, white and blue striped shirt and trousers). The colors then came in zigzags on dresses and one-piece halter swimsuits before winding up on the trim of plain white shifts. Breton stripes were also big (on cotton schoolboy shirts and leather tops), as were chunky cableknit sweaters. It's what Hilfiger imagines women like Jackie O wore while setting sail overseas. We definitely see the jitney — and city streets — filled with his breezy trapeze dresses. **● TINA CHADHA**

**2 DKNY:** For her Spring show, titled "Reflections of New York," Donna Karan aimed to define a girl living the big-city dream. She's ambitious (smart workwear separates like boyfriend blazers and knee-grazing pencil skirts came in leather and



color-blocked, textured linen); she's ready for whatever comes her way (the bodysuit played double-duty as a bathing suit, and models wore fanny packs); she's street smart (sporty mesh and leather detailing, camo prints, fitted black baseball caps and heeled sneakers exuded an urban tone); and, of course, she knows how to have a good time (bikini tops peeked under blazers and floor-length

jersey dresses featured slits up-to-ther). The standouts in this collection, however, were the slouchy all-American blue jeans and effortlessly cool anoraks which, let's face it, are the ultimate NYC uniform. **● TC**

**3 Rebecca Taylor:** The biography of Beach Boy Brian Wilson transported Rebecca Taylor to one of her favorite vacation haunts: Hawaii. But while

her imagination sipped on mai tais, this hard-working woman spent the summer in New York. The two worlds harmonized perfectly in her Spring collection: Sunny, hibiscus floral prints came cut in sharp, strong silhouettes, while polished dresses were made tough with studded collars and worn under moto jackets in laidback, faded denim or poppy turquoise leather. And for post-sunset, a nude, silk studded cocktail number featured cheery ocean blue straps — perhaps to remind you of paradise even when you're stuck in the city. **● TC**

**4 Tracy Reese:** Tracy Reese scored a coup when Michelle Obama wore one of her dresses to the Democratic National Convention last week, and the designer rode that high with a confident Spring presentation. The season's biggest trends made an appearance — loose trousers, transparent fabrics — but they were done with Reese's own maximalist flair. A see-through button-down came with floral embroidery, crimson pajama pants had silver sequins and a little black shift ended in a flurry of orange bugle beads. After seeing so much white on the runways so far, Reese's fluorescent oranges, blues and greens offered a welcomed jolt of color. **● RAQUEL LANIERI**

## Interview

### Tracy Reese

Please sum up your Spring collection in a Tweet (140 characters or less).

A relaxed vibe. Sexy yet carefree items with versatile fits offered in amazing colors with rich embellishments, marching to a tribal beat!

What keeps you sane during Fashion Week?

The "Daily Word" and lots of green juice!

What will be your Fall staple?

Anything with rich and vibrant color hues. I love



wearing colors that reflect the mood of the season. What's your soundtrack to Fashion Week this season? Grizzly Bear — "Southern Point," TV on the Radio — "Crying," St. Vincent — "Hysterical Strength," Tori Amos — anything, it's all good.

What's the most embarrassing item in your closet?

The sheer quantity of items! I have not had time to prune and edit out things that are outdated. The new stuff is in a box in the corner! Yikes! The perils of being in the rag trade! **● TC**

## Front row



Lianne  
La Havas  
at DKNY



Sarah Jessica  
Parker at Diane  
Von Furstenberg



Katharine  
McPhee at  
Rebecca Taylor



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**5 Monique Lhuillier:** A reproduction of Monet's "Water Lilies" provided the backdrop to Monique Lhuillier's show. There was also something rather impressionistic about the hazy koi prints that found their way onto prim peplum tops, slacks and skirts. The under-the-sea theme continued with shimmering cocktail dresses covered in iridescent shells and illusion-net gowns spangled with sequins that recalled mermaids. The designer also debuted her shoe collection — subtly sexy open-toed stilettos with criss-cross straps in black, navy and gold. ● **RL**

**6 Jen Kao:** Dissonant music set an eerie tone at Jen Kao's Spring presentation, as shadowy figures wearing glow-in-the-dark clothes emerged from the pitch blackness to form some kind of witches' circle. Fortunately, the lights turned on to reveal plenty of Kao's sexy sportswear done with an avant-garde twist. Take a yellow funnel-necked anorak with rubberized netting, body-con neoprene shifts with leather detailing and patchwork silk dresses with high slits. Even better were the fabulous Japanese-inspired tunics done in denim, leather and fluorescent netting, the best of which evoked vintage Comme des Garçons. ● **RL**

## Runway. She's back



► Naomi Campbell kicked things off at Zac Posen.

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## Get ready for more Naomi

Not only did Naomi Campbell make a surprise appearance at the Zac Posen show, she also sent out her first ever tweet: "Here I am, finally on @Twitter. What's up #NYFW?"

## Interview

### Leandra Medine

*We chatted with the founder of the style blog Man Repeller at Edun.*

**Your blog is based on your man-repelling outfits. Which has been the worst offender?**  
I once wore denim overalls with a huge puffer coat over it. That was pretty crazy.

**If you could raid any fashion icon's closet, whose would it be?**

Frank Sinatra — he's got such killer style. I'd steal some of his hats.



Russell Simmons, Ming Lee, Aoki Lee and Kimora Lee Simmons at Charlotte Ronson

## Street style



Caroline Christiansson  
Fashion editor,  
French Glamour



Eva Chen, Beauty director,  
Teen Vogue



Blogger Susie Lau, aka  
Susie Bubble



# Tricks to get your kids off the couch

▶ If your preschooler is obsessed with your iPad or your teen typically Facebooks the night away, it's time for an intervention ▶ Celebs' tips

Staggering statistics about the health of our nation's children have stars uniting for a change.

"One in three kids are overweight or obese today," says Larry Soler, president and CEO of the Partnership for Healthy America. "We know that every kid should be getting 60 minutes of physical activity per day,

but in reality, 42 percent of elementary students and 29 percent of high school students are getting that. We're not doing a good enough job. We can do better and we must do better."

Adding to the problem? "Youth sports are being professionalized," says Kurt Kamperman, the U.S. Tennis Association's chief executive of com-

munity tennis. "We're asking 9-year-old boys and girls to choose an activity or to specialize in a sport before they hit adolescence. That is causing a dropout rate and a burnout rate like never before."

To kick off National Childhood Obesity Awareness Month, a panel of health professionals and fit stars spoke at the

U.S. Open on Sept. 1 to remind attendees about the importance of physical activity — fun physical activity, that is — for kids. We asked some of the panelists for their tips on incorporating activity into a child's schedule.

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**1. Tim Morehouse, Olympic fencer** "We've got to get kids trying sports. Kids might only see on TV baseball, basketball and football. ... Who knows what will capture a child's imagination?"

**2. Dara Torres, Olympic swimmer** "My daughter likes TV, there's no doubt about that, but I always make sure that after school I have her do something. She doesn't listen to me as



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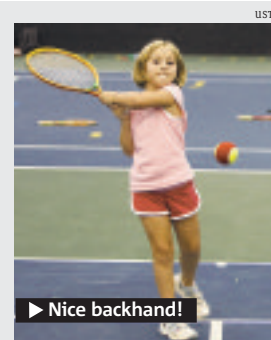
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much, so it's easier to put her in a program where someone else is in charge. Everyone who has taught her has made the sport fun, and I think that's the key."

**3. Bob Harper, author and trainer on "The Biggest Loser"** "You gotta go in and turn the computer off. You gotta take the video game away — it just

cannot be a free-for-all for a kid. And I understand parents: We're all busy. But our kids need our help more than ever now."

**4. Christine Taylor, actress** "Make it fun. [Make] obstacle courses with objects in your house. I pull chairs out and turn chairs over and have them climb over and really make it creative from room to room."



▶ Nice backhand!

## Did you know?

This year, the USTA changed the rules of tennis for kids in an effort to get them interested and engaged in the sport. Here are the (literal) game-changers:

### Children 5-8

- ▶ Play tournaments on a 36-foot court (a regular court is 78 feet) with a lower net
- ▶ Play with a red ball that's 75 percent slower in the air and has a lower bounce

- ▶ Play with a smaller racquet

### 9- and 10-year-olds

- ▶ Play tournaments on a 60-foot court with a regulation net
- ▶ Play with an orange ball that's 50 percent slower in the air and has a lower bounce
- ▶ Play with a smaller racquet

### Advanced 9- and 10-year-olds

- ▶ Play tournaments on a full-size court with a regulation net
- ▶ Play with a green ball that's 25 percent slower in the air and has a lower bounce
- ▶ Play with a smaller racquet

*The USTA is hosting free play days across the country through Oct. 6, where kids and their families can visit a local school or park to test out and play with the new equipment. Visit [www.youthtennis.com](http://www.youthtennis.com) and type in your ZIP code to learn about free play days near you.*

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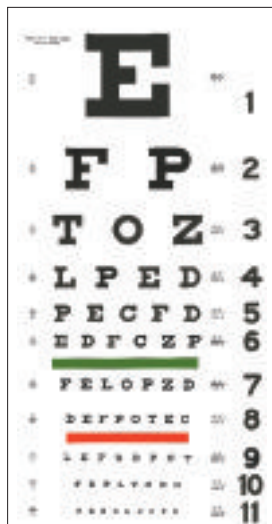
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## Scary stat



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## Two back-to-school contests you need to know about

## ► 2012 Healthy School Makeover Contest

Your child's school could win a \$45,000 makeover sponsored by SPARK, which creates phys. ed. and enrichment curricula for schools worldwide. To enter, the school must submit a three-minute video explaining how it's committed to healthy living and why it's worthy of the grand prize, which includes a gym and nutrition curricula plus a variety



► Children rock out at Apple Seeds' Songs for Seeds music class.

of sports equipment. Learn more at [www.healthyschoolmakeover.com](http://www.healthyschoolmakeover.com).

## ► Rally for Recess

Now in its second year, Dannon's Rally for Recess contest will reward five schools across the contiguous U.S. with a \$30,000 playground makeover. Three \$1,000 prizes also will be awarded for kids to get their play on at home. Your job is to collect codes from Danimals Smoothies and Dan-o-nino 1.75 oz. cup packages and enter them online through Dec. 31 at [www.rallyforrecess.com](http://www.rallyforrecess.com).

## Way to play

► Apple Seeds' new play space for children is offering a bunch of fun (and educational) classes for your little one this fall.

The "¡HOLA! A Playgroup in Spanish" is a music class for budding bilingualists. "OOOHHH ... AAAH-HH ... IIICCKKKK" is a science class that lets kids poke around with equipment like test tubes and magnifying glasses, and little tykes can get to work during "Build it! Break it! Fix it!"

Incentive: If you sign up for more than one class, you'll save up to \$50. Learn more at [www.appleseedsplay.com](http://www.appleseedsplay.com).

## Salsa for kids

► This Saturday, gather the kids and head to the Sony Wonder Technology Lab (550 Madison Ave., 212-833-8100) for a family dance workshop at noon. Your kids will decorate maracas before taking a salsa lesson with a professional salsa instructor. The class is \$5 and no reservation is required. After class, stick around the museum (it's free!) so your kids can try all the hands-on science exhibits.



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## Advice



► Your child's medicine should be in its original container when you give it to his or her school.

## Meeting of the meds

If your kid takes medication, plan a time at the beginning of the school year to go over the following key details, says Olga Acosta Price, Ph.D., director of the Center for Health and Health Care in Schools. Sign any consent forms so school personnel can administer the dose if necessary.

## Tell the nurse

- What medication your child is on and the dosage. Show it to your kid so that he or she can read the warning labels and verify the name.
- About any side effects, as well as potential signs that your child missed a dose
- The contact info for the prescribing care provider

- Whether it will be taken at school. Find out who will give the dose if the nurse is absent, and let the nurse know how long your kid will be on the medication. Give it to the school in its original container.

## Tell the teacher

- The conditions or symptoms the drug targets
- About any potential side effects or reactions your child has had in the past
- How your child would like to be reminded about going to the nurse if he or she will take the medication at school

● JESSIE WOHLGEMUTH

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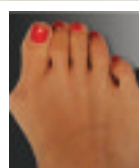
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## Letters

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## Column raises Kane on how both sides treat female pols

**RE: "LOVE'S LABORS LOST ON LEFT HATE-SLINGERS" (METRO, SEPT. 10)** Thank you so very much for printing Gregory Kane's article about Saratoga Springs Republican Mayor Mia Love. Her convention speech was a "don't-miss"; she is a wonderful example of how bright women in power can remain women. Your article is likely the very first time that many Democrats have heard about her.

JANICE QUIRK, VIA E-MAIL

Greg Kane's news column made my Monday morning. It was a piece with a decent point that then went so far into hypocrisy and delusion land that it could only make me smile. I agree with the

point that people should not be calling others such vile names for their political views. But since the "wrong-wing" conservatives "taught" the left how to do it, I find it funny that wrong-wing conservatives cannot take what they dish every day.

The wrong-wing conservatives used every name they could on Hillary Clinton and then cried when the same was done to Sarah Palin.

The wrong-wing conservatives have made threats of civil war and personal violence against liberals, including saying they wanted liberals too scared to come out of their homes to vote. A wrong-wing conservative even attempted to kill a congresswoman by shooting her in the head after wrong-wing politicians used

gun targets on the faces of their opponents. Greg Kane has a decent point, but frankly it is also hypocrisy of a high magnitude.

DOUGLAS BROWN, VIA E-MAIL

## Jewish-looking faces? Thanks for the stereotype

**RE: "DON'T WORRY — HE'S GOT A CUNNING PLAN" (METRO, SEPT. 7-9)** I was confused by letter writer Jonathan Perry's letter to the editor about the GOP convention attendees not consisting of various ethnic groups, particularly about the lack of "Jewish"-looking faces, whatever that means. Jews don't have a set appearance, except to those who like to make stereotypes.

What those attendees probably had in common was a shocked look that, despite a weak economy, record-high federal debt, and the worst three-year record of employment since the Depression, Obama is slightly leading in the polls.

RON FALCON, VIA E-MAIL

## Political chasm requires two to play

**RE: "THE WORD TODDLERS AND THE GOP HAVE IN COMMON" (METRO, SEPT. 10)** Letter writer Rachel Garber needs to open her eyes. "The GOP no longer compromises"? Neither side has compromised since 2006. If one side declares it night, the other side would disagree and claim it to be day, no matter the time of day. Also, in what vote did Romney vote against "a health care program that is virtually the same"? He's never held office other than being governor of Massachusetts.

REX A. BRYANT SR., VIA E-MAIL

## Horoscope

**♍ Virgo Aug. 23-Sept. 22.** Do not allow your friends to convince you to do something that you really can't afford. If you haven't got the funds, be smart and bow out.

**♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23.** If you find yourself vacillating over some critical decisions, know that hesitation will only breed complications. Instead, trust your judgment and take bold action.

**♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22.** Usually you weigh both sides of an issue, resulting in a balanced judgment. Today, however, your thinking might be more self-defeating than farseeing.

**♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21.** Guard against inclinations to believe in everybody and to put your trust in those who cannot measure up to your expectations. If you fail to do so, disappointment is very likely.

**♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 19.** If you don't have an equal say, you might end up in a situation that is something like a partnership, but not quite. Be very careful.

**♒ Aquarius Jan. 20-Feb. 19.** If you cannot arouse enough enthusiasm to handle a tough assignment, you'd be better off temporarily postponing it until you can muster up enough eagerness to do so.

**♓ Pisces Feb. 20-March 20.** Don't get too deeply involved in a risky endeavor because, in all likelihood, Lady Luck will be taking a day off. Without her assistance, you aren't apt to swing it alone.

**♈ Aries March 21-April 19.** Should an old, unresolved family issue surface in front of others, do your best to quell it immediately, before it makes the entire clan turn nasty.

**♉ Taurus April 20-May 20.** If someone comes up with a better way of doing something, don't be so quick to reject it. If you let your ego take command, you'll never improve.

**♊ Gemini May 21-June 20.** Something significant can be learned about budgeting if you take some time to examine your financial situation realistically. Don't just bewail your failings — correct them.

**♋ Cancer June 21-July 22.** Allowing dictatorial inclinations to dominate your thinking could cause you to assert your will on those over whom you have no authority, making you look like a bully. Don't let this happen.

**♌ Leo July 23-Aug. 22.** Don't put any limitations on your imagination, nor allow others to do so for you. Be sure that the thoughts that guide your thinking and actions are focused on the positive.

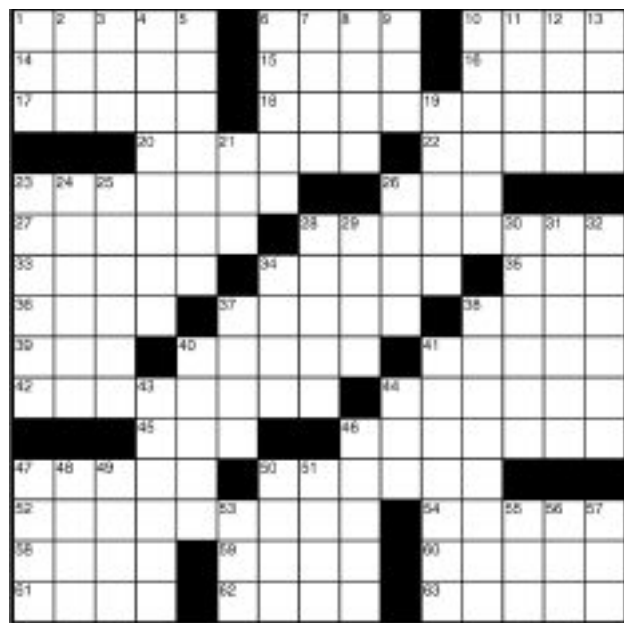
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## Across

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- 6 Salespeople
- 10 Autocrat
- 14 Old Greek market
- 15 Jean Auel heroine
- 16 Fillet a fish
- 17 Convenes
- 18 Heat wave results
- 20 Caught sight of
- 22 Fjord
- 23 Growled viciously
- 26 Unfold, in verse
- 27 More open
- 28 Cager's coup (2 wds.)
- 3 Added brandy
- 34 Virginia caverns
- 35 Dazzle
- 36 Statutes
- 37 Consumer advocate
- 38 Keenan or Ed
- 39 DI, twice
- 40 Tall and lanky
- 41 Calf-length skirts
- 42 Running the show (2 wds.)
- 44 Curtis of cosmetics
- 45 Dog show org.
- 46 Fence stakes
- 47 Bach opus
- 50 Tarzan's moniker
- 52 Deluged
- 54 More up-to-date
- 58 Cheery tune
- 59 Seal in the juices
- 60 Grenoble's river
- 61 VIPs of NFL
- 62 Knight, often
- 63 Term paper

## Down

- 1 Rear-end
- 2 Sharpen a cheddar
- 3 Diner coffee
- 4 Vein opposites
- 5 Gave a hard time



- 6 Beyond zealous
- 7 Fictional governess
- 8 Walk wearily
- 9 Visited
- 10 Carnivores' delight (hyph.)
- 11 Type of food
- 12 — meridiem
- 13 Take a load off
- 19 Chilly
- 21 Each
- 23 Deli staple
- 24 Vitamin B component

- 25 Frigid region
- 26 Footballer — Bravo
- 28 Magistrate
- 29 Heavy hydrogen discoverer
- 30 NYC planetarium
- 31 With title to
- 32 Gets ready to pounce
- 34 k.d. — of country music
- 37 DEA operative
- 38 Cunning
- 40 Did a fall chore

- 41 Actress — Griffith
- 43 Hangouts
- 44 Grocery buy
- 46 Slugger — Guerrero
- 47 Thin coating
- 48 Prof's place
- 49 Swallow hard
- 50 Fit to —
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- 53 Bonfire remains
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- 56 Memorable time
- 57 "The Bridge of San Luis —"

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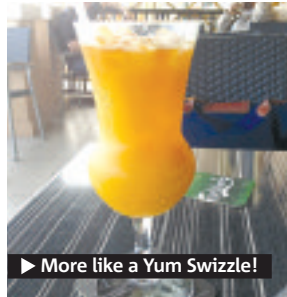
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### Crystal and Fantasy Caves

The beaches are gorgeous and the sunsets are stunning, but one of Bermuda's biggest treasures is underground. Visiting the Crystal and Fantasy Caves is a

must. Two 12-year-old boys searching for a lost cricket ball accidentally discovered the caves in 1905. What the boys found were spectacular stalactites, stalagmites and deep, crystal-clear pools of azure blue water. The guided tour deep into the caves is breathtaking.

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► More like a Yum Swizzle!

#### What to drink

### Rum Swizzle: Summer in a glass

Don't leave Bermuda without trying what's often referred to as the national drink. A Rum Swizzle is rum based with fruit juice (lime, orange and pineapple) and grenadine.

#### What to do

### Check out the capital

Located on the north side of Hamilton Harbor, Hamilton is the capital of Bermuda and the island's financial center. The city has long maintained an architectural limit, where no building may obscure the Cathedral of St. Theresa's.

Spend an afternoon walk-



► The buildings in Hamilton are also a rainbow of colors.

ing through Hamilton, especially on the waterfront, to get a feel of everyday Bermudian life. Stop in one of the

many bars for a Rum Swizzle or shop at one of the many stores for a pair of traditional Bermuda shorts.

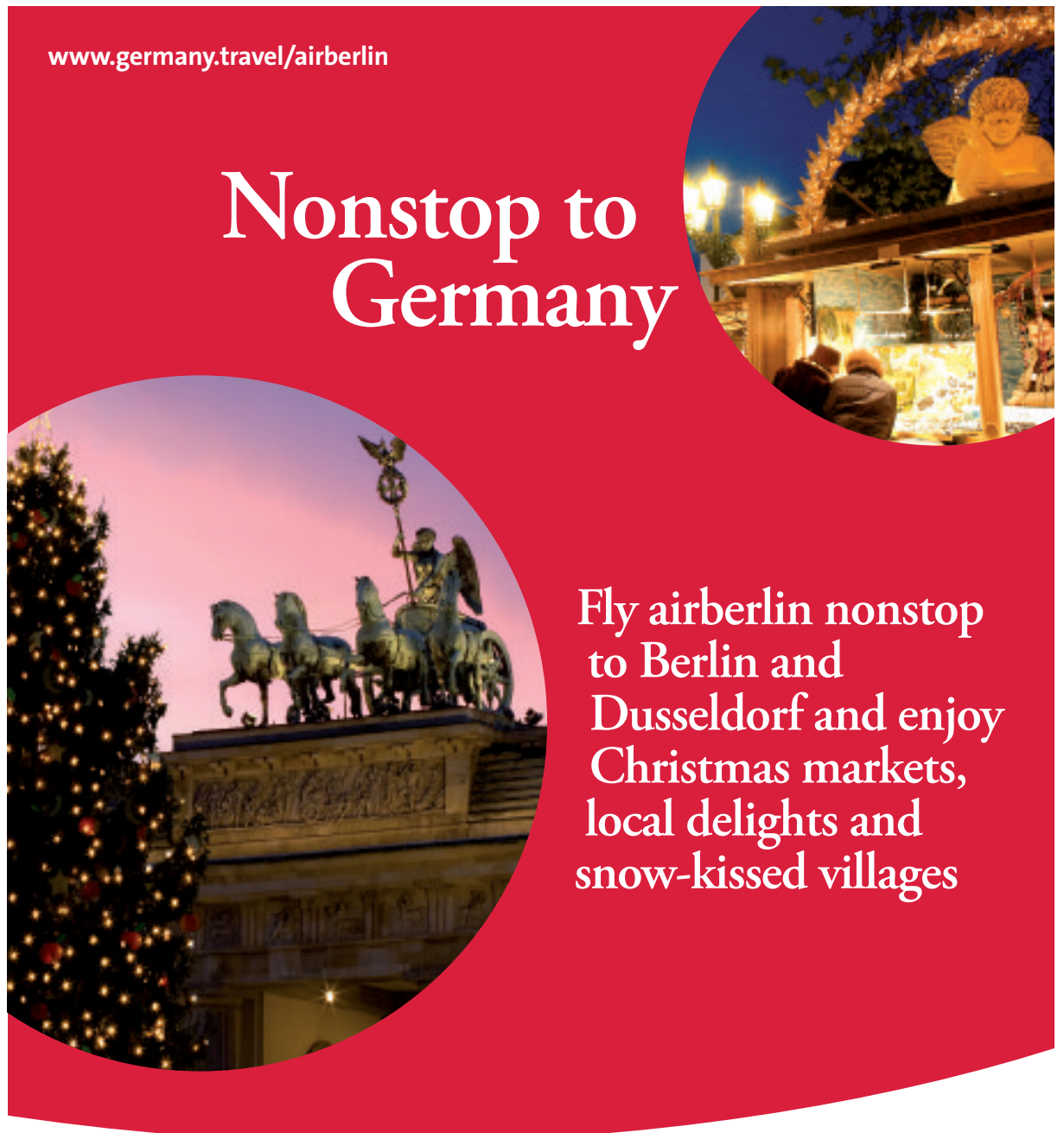
#### Weather the storm

Bermuda seems to have escaped the worst of Tropical Storm Leslie, as the storm is headed toward Canada. The island saw more than 4 inches of rainfall, but the Bermuda Police Service said there were no reports of any major damages or injuries. As of yesterday, Bermuda's airport remains open.

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## Bart Scott self-imposes media ban

It looks like Jets linebacker Bart Scott can wait to talk to the media, declaring a self-imposed media boycott in response to what he sees as slanted coverage of the team.

Scott, whose "Can't wait" interview during the playoffs two years ago is the stuff of legend, is the most vocal voice in the oft-quotable Jets locker room. Scott originally called a "mutiny" before being corrected on the right terminology.

"Why would I give you quotes to sell papers when you treat us like s—?" Scott said.

Last season, the 32-year-old had 66 tackles, his lowest tally since 2005. He had three against the Bills.

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# Super Mario shut off

► Howard dominates All-Pro Williams in first start as a Jet ► Making fans forget about Wayne Hunter already ► Revis status in question vs. Steelers

A baptism by fire produced strong results for Jets right tackle Austin Howard, who made just his second NFL start in Sunday's 48-28 win over the Bills.

The emergence of Howard during training camp paved the way for the Jets to trade Wayne Hunter to the Rams. But as impressive as his training camp was, Howard still had a tall order going against Mario Williams.

"I respect him a ton. I learned a lot today. Going up against a talented defensive end that he is, it was a battle out there. Fortunately we came away with the win," Howard said.

On paper, it didn't seem like the match-up would favor Howard. On the field, however, Williams was limited to just one tackle in the game.



► Howard's strong performance in preseason earned him the starting nod against Buffalo.

Williams came into the game with 53 sacks.

"Buffalo has some serious pass rushers, especially with Mario Williams. Austin Howard played a tremendous

game," head coach Rex Ryan said. "Maybe he made a name for himself today."



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## Revis' status questionable

The Jets revealed that All-Pro cornerback Darrelle Revis did suffer a minor concussion Sunday.

Revis did not talk to media due to the league's rules on players with concussions speaking.

He will continue to take baseline tests this week until he passes and is cleared for activity.

"He seems to be feeling good, but whatever those [test] scores are, apparently that's low," Ryan said. "I'll lean on the doctors and trainers. We'll see how he progresses during the week." ● METRO

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# Giants already shifting focus to Freeman, Bucs

The Giants got back to work yesterday, with the Cowboys loss officially in the rearview mirror.

As they now prepare for the upstart Buccaneers, Big Blue is looking to rectify the holes that the Cowboys exploited — starting at the quarterback position.

Tampa quarterback Josh Freeman is every bit as mobile as Cowboys' quarterback Tony Romo, who dissected the Giants for over 300 yards.

"It's very important to not allow the quarterback have access to an escape," said head coach Tom Coughlin. "We provided Dallas with that opportunity to extend plays, not by design. ... Sometimes it's just the ability of the player [to escape]."

While Freeman isn't as fast as either Eagles' quarterback Michael Vick or the Redskins' Robert Griffin III, the 6-foot-6,



► Freeman was an efficient 16-of-24 for 138 yards and a touchdown in Sunday's win over Carolina.

**37:27** The Bucs dominated the Panthers in time of possession, holding the ball for 15 more minutes.

240-pound Freeman is just as evasive as Romo, only bigger. "You always want to go against those quarterbacks who are Statues of Liberty in the pocket. That makes things

easier," Justin Tuck said. "But that's not today's quarterbacks."

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## Teixeira out ahead of Sox series

As the Yankees head into a series in Boston today, they learned they will be without first baseman Mark Teixeira for 10 to 14 days.

Manager Joe Girardi had already said the strained left calf Teixeira suffered last month and then reinjured Saturday would likely keep Teixeira out of the Red Sox series, but a diagnosis of two weeks and not the rest of the season could be a good thing.

Teixeira aggravated the calf strain on the final out of Saturday's game, trying to avoid a double play. He was called out, though replays later showed the call was



► Teixeira

wrong.

If Teixeira misses two weeks, that would mean a return around the Minnesota series beginning Sept. 24 — the third-to-last series of the season.

For now, the Yankees have three crucial games in Boston, though the series has a very odd feel with the Sox 15 games under .500. **METRO**

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